

LEAVING A BEQUEST

Frequently Asked Question

How do I leave a bequest to Fintona Girls' School?

You may find that during your lifetime, it is not possible to give as much to Fintona as you would like, so leaving a bequest may be an option to consider without affecting your current financial circumstances. Your bequest can be articulated when you first make a Will or in completing a Codicil, should you wish to amend your Will.

The use of your gift can be discussed with our Development and Community Engagement Manager, Adele McIntosh on (03) 9830 1388.

Every bequest, whatever the amount, makes a real difference to the education that Fintona Girls' School can provide to its students.

What happens to my bequest?

Your Executor will contact the School so that we can start working together to fulfil your wishes. The School will involve family members, as advised by the Executor, so that they can be involved in your legacy, if they so choose. The School will ensure that ongoing generations are aware of your generosity and the impact you have made through your gift, unless you have indicated the gift should remain anonymous.

How are the funds managed?

Depending on the specific terms of your Will, your gift will either be disbursed in keeping with your wishes, or in the absence of any specific direction, it will be held in the School's Endowment Fund and managed accordingly in order to meet the terms of the bequest.

Do I need a Will?

Statistics show that one third of Australians do not have a Will. You work hard all your life to take care of your loved ones, so do not leave your estate to chance. It is vital that every person over the age of 18 has a legal, up-to-date Will.

Although DIY kits are available, Fintona Girls' School advises seeking qualified expert assistance from a solicitor to make or adjust your Will.

Personal circumstances and your wishes may change over time, so do ensure that your Will is updated, as required, to reflect these, and that these changes are communicated with the relevant individuals or organisations.

The gift you make to Fintona Girls' School will be an enduring tribute to your generosity and will help ensure that Fintona can continue to educate students to the highest standard.